GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1856
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2003
REVISION OF CEILING OF EXPORT OF CHROME ORE
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the present ceiling fixed by the Government on the export of chrome ore;

(b) whether the miners and exporters of chrome ore have requested the Government to revise the ceiling;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has examined their suggestions; and

(e) if so, the details of the consideration made thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a) The export ceiling for low silica friable/fine chromite ore and chromite lumps for the year 2003-04 fixed by the Government is 4 lakh tonnes.

(b)&(c): Yes, Sir. While some associations/companies had requested for an upward revision of the export ceiling on chrome ore, others had represented for maintaining status quo.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. Government has examined the need for an increase in the export ceiling on chrome ore and decided to maintain the ceiling of 4 lakh tonnes for 2003-04, with a view to conserve the available reserves.